

**Natural Resources Conservation Service**

**Application Ranking Summary**

**EQIP-General**

<b>Program:</b>	<b>Ranking Date:</b>	<b>Application Number:</b>
<b>Ranking Tool:</b> EQIP-General	<b>Applicant:</b>	
<b>Final Ranking Score:</b>	<b>Address:</b>	
<b>Planner:</b>	<b>Telephone:</b>	
<b>Farm Location:</b>		

**National Priorities Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
1. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of non-point source pollution, such as nutrients, sediment, pesticides, excess salinity in impaired watersheds with total maximum daily loads (TMDLs) where available, groundwater contamination or point sources such as contamination from confined animal feeding operations?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. Will the treatment you intend to implement for water conservation or irrigation efficiency using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in water use?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction of emissions, such as particulate matter, nitrogen oxides (NOx), volatile organic compounds, and ozone precursors and depleters that contribute to air quality impairment violations of National Ambient Air Quality Standards?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable reduction in soil erosion and sedimentation from unacceptable levels on agricultural land?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
5. Will the treatment you intend to implement using EQIP result in a considerable increase in the promotion of at-risk species habitat conservation?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
6. Will the treatment that you intend to implement using EQIP result in considerable benefits to residue management, nutrient management, air quality management, invasive species management, pollinator habitat, and animal carcass management technology or pest management?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
7. Will the treatment that you intend to implement using EQIP result in energy conservation benefits?	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

**State Issues Addressed**

Issue Questions	Responses
<b>WATER QUALITY &amp; QUANTITY:</b>	
1. STRESSED BASINS & GROUNDWATER ZONES: Treatment will improve water use EFFICIENCY or water RECHARGE in Stressed Basins or Groundwater Zones 1-2.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. OTHER WATER: Treatment will improve the QUALITY or QUANTITY of other waters, including Designated Shellfish Growing Areas, surface water, aquifers and wells.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>FORESTRY &amp; WILDLIFE</b>	
1. SUSTAINABLE FORESTS: Forestland treatment will promote biological diversity, productive capacity, health and vitality of forest ecosystems, and healthy watersheds.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. WOOD TURTLES: Treatment will create, enhance or protect habitat for wood turtles.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>SOIL QUALITY &amp; SPECIALIZED FARMING OPERATIONS</b>	
1. SPECIALIZED OPERATIONS: The EQIP plan includes implementation of organic or aquaculture practices to address FOTG quality criteria standards.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. SOIL CONDITION & CARBON: Treatment will improve soil condition and/or sequester carbon.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
<b>ENHANCEMENTS</b>	
1. PROTECTED LAND: The treatment area falls within or directly impacts publically protected land.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. PRACTICE/SYSTEM ENHANCEMENT: The contract will improve conservation practices/systems already in place, or complete a conservation system.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. REGULATORY COMPLIANCE: The EQIP plan will help the applicant meet imposed regulatory requirements.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

PRACTICE IMPLEMENTATION.	
1. EXPEDITED COMPLETION: The EQIP plan schedule of operations provides for implementation of all funded practices within three years or less.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. LAND MANAGEMENT PRACTICES: The contract includes land management practices for which the applicant has previously recieved payments.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
4. COMPLIANCE: The applicant is out-of-compliance with other existing conservation program contracts.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

#### Local Issues Addressed

Issue Questions	Responses
1. HIGHEST PRIORITY: EQIP plan includes conservation practices that address the top local resource concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
2. SECOND PRIORITY: EQIP plan includes conservation practices that address the second highest local resource concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>
3. THIRD PRIORITY: EQIP plan includes conservation practices that address the third highest local resource concern.	Yes <input type="radio"/> or No <input type="radio"/>

#### Land Use:

Resource Concerns	Practices
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#### Ranking Score

Efficiency:  Local Issues:  State Issues:  National Issues:  <b>Final Ranking Score:</b>
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This ranking report is for your information. It does not in any way guarantee funding. When funding becomes available, you will be notified if your application is selected for funding. Some changes to the application may be required before a final contract is awarded.

Notes:

NRCS Representative:	Application Signature Not Required for Contract Development unless required by State policy:
Signature Date:	Signature Date: